Newsletter

20th November 2026



Dear Parents and Carers of Greenleas School,

This Monday I enjoyed a very welcome cup of Hot Chocolate with Freya from Kingfishers who is their unsung hero. Freya was much better adjusted than me to the frosty weather in her short sleeves, but she had just been out to play. We chatted about when her little sibling will be starting in Reception.

We've turned up the heat this week in school with a workshop about the Great Fire of London for children in Year 2 at Kestrel Way and yesterday at Derwent Road. Children watched as history came to life in front of their eyes through drama and roleplay in the hall, and events in Pudding Lane unfolded.

On Wednesday I enjoyed lunch with Lola, Edie, Zoey, Marti, Daisy-Rayne and Aston from Reception and KS1 at Kestrel Way. We chatted about the different languages we can all speak, and the ones we wanted to learn, as well as who was having jelly and who was having cake for pudding. Two of the children had clubs to get to after lunch, and we compared the different places we keep the stickers awarded in school. At Kestrel Way this week the children have continued visiting the Book Fair, organised by our Reading Lead Mrs. Iley. It has been lovely to see the children browsing the books and talking about the different titles and which ones they would like to read. Thank you to those parents who have made purchases – the school receives a contribution towards books from the total spend.

Thank you in advance for your donations to Children in Need today. I will let you know how much has been raised next week.

This week we have Hot Writes from Oscar and Noah from Year 4, who have been writing about dragons.

Don't forget to help your Year 3 or Year 4 child complete The Engagement Profile questionnaire for which you have received a QR code this week. Central Bedfordshire have asked all schools to invite staff and pupils to take part in this survey which should provide valuable insights into what motivates us in our work and our learning.

With best wishes for the weekend.

Rebecca Clarke,

Head Teacher

Greenleas' Value of the Month for November is...

Tolerance

Tolerance is accepting myself, even when I make mistakes. Tolerance is accepting others, even when they make mistakes. We are all unique and have something valuable to offer and share. Tolerance is accepting others and appreciating differences.

To help deepen our children's understanding of our value of Tolerance this month, here are some questions you could discuss with your child at home: How can we show Tolerance of ourselves?

Star of the Week

Derwent Road:
Jackson
Kestrel Way:
Bonnie

Tidy Tortoise

Derwent Road:
Swallows
Kestrel Way:
Plovers



Safeguarding Matters



If you wish to report any safeguarding concerns, please contact the below staff members in the first instance:



Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Rebecca Clarke

Kestrel/Derwent



Derwent Road:

Sarah Horne



Derwent Road:

Bindia Sexton



Derwent Road/Kestrel Way:

Alexia Cook



Kestrel Way:

Amanada Wallace



Dorothy Smith

Safeguarding Governor

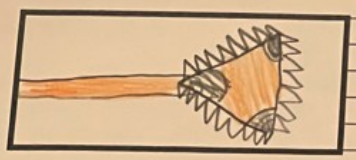
MONSTEROUS MAGMA DRAGONS

A few decades ago, Magma Dragons ruled Death Valley. Magma Dragons were extremely fierce creatures. They took down rock dragons with their earsplitting screech and steaming lava breath. Why are they extinct? Why did they disappear? This text will tell you exactly what happened to Magma Dragons.



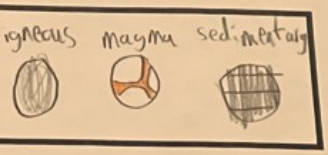
What did they look like?

As a rule, Magma dragons had burning hot wings with lava dripping from them. Typically, its body was fully made of magma therefore it acted as armour. Magma Dragons had a wirl-like tail with skull crushing spikes. Unlike its body, it had fairly lukewarm toes. They were also very bulky. Unlike other dragons, it only had two razor sharp teeth to tear its prey open. Since its body was fully made of magma, it could camouflage itself into magma chasms. Magma Dragons could also mimic substantial Magma Dragons with their wings.



What did they eat?

On the whole, Magma Dragons were very greedy eaters as a result they searched for food for at least half an hour. Regularly, they ate igneous rock, sedimentary rock and magma. The reason it ate those specific foods were because it gave its body its rocky shape. Unluckily, all igneous and sedimentary rock died out consequently all of the Magma Dragons died of starvation.



Where did they live?

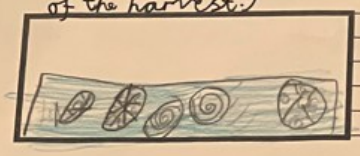
Most commonly, Magma Dragons lived on the outskirts of Death Valley because it liked the temperatures there. Usually, it lived in a cliff in a volcano because it liked to swim in the lava. Many of them also drank from the lava. Weirdly, they didn't actually construct a nest as they always were warm. In the volcano, Magma Dragon gave off steam so it made it look like the volcano was extremely hot to predators. Unfortunately, temperatures took a sudden drop in Death Valley thus the Magma Dragon's habitats were unable to live in.

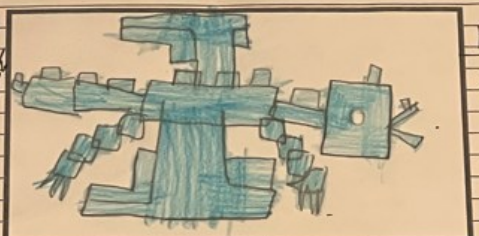
How the Diamond Dragon became EXTINKT

A few centuries ago, the Diamond Dragons protected prymids with their shiny eyes and fire-breathing mouth. Where did they go? What happened to them? This text will clearly explain their extinksion.

What did it look like?

It is a well known fact, that Diamond Dragons had blue wings with jagged edges these wings were the vital thing for flying. Down their backs they had ridges that could carry Ancients. Unlike other dragons, they seemed to be made of diamond since it was very strong. Without feeding regularly (at least eight times a day) they would not thrive. Typically, their length was twenty cm as ancients only liked long dragons. Their eyes would shine lights out of them in darkness therefore it could see intruders/enemies of the harvest.



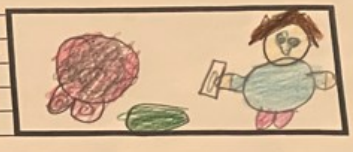


What did they Eat?

Typically Diamond Dragons were very selective eaters. Their diet was human skin, brains and melted plastik. The reason it ate was because it needed health. Humans started pouring poison into melted plastik thus it became extinkt.

Where do they live?

Most commonly, Diamond Dragons lived in the Mountains of Antarctica because nobody goes there. Unusually this species of Dragon didn't build their nests they lived on top of Diamond prymids with Ancients as buddys. They were forced to live there or they would get thrown in lava. Unfortunately good Ninjas took over to try and stop the harvest thus the Dragon lose its homes.



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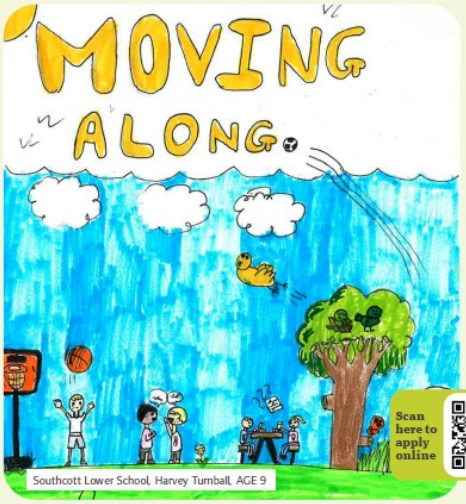

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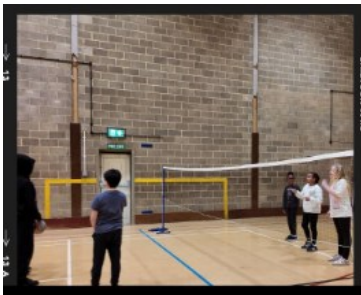





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